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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER), SY

SUBJECT: SECVISIT - ADMIN ARRANGEMENTS

REF: A. STATE 085350; B. DAMASCUS 460; C. STATE 085784

1. MEETING WITH FONOFF WENT OFF ON SCHEDULE TOADY.
LIST OF PARTY, REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFICE SPACE, REQUIREMENTS
FOR HOTEL SPACE FOR ENTIRE GROUP (INCLUDING SUPPORT
STAFF AND USSS PERSONNEL) DISCUSSED.

2. CUSTOMS, HEALTH AND IMMIGRATION. NO PROBLEMS
WILL OCCUR. PASSPORTS WILL BE KEPT BY EITHER
CONTACT OFFICER OR CONTROL OFFICER DURING VISITS.

3. ACCOMMODATIONS. SLEEPING QUARTERS ARE GOING
TO HAVE TO BE MOSTLY DOUBLES. POST REALIZES THIS
MIGHT PROVE SOME HARDSHIP BUT SINGLE ROOMS IN QUANTITY
REQUESTED JUST DO NOT EXIST IN DAMASCUS. REFTEL (A)
ASKED FOR NEWSMEN TO BE HOUSED IN SINGLES. SINCE THAT
I SOUT, COULD CONTACT OFFICER ASSIST IN FINDING WHICH
NEWSMEN SHOULD BE PAIRED UP? POST REGRETS THIS
INCONVENIENCE.

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4. OFFICE SPACE: A. REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED IN REFTEL (C) WILL BE MET. POST WILL EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF USING OFFICE SWITCHBOARD WITH EXTENSION PHONES TO GUEST HOUSE WITH PTT ON MONDAY 29 APR. IF THIS POSSIBLE NO SWITCHBOARD WILL BE IN SECRETARY'S GUEST HOUSE. IN ANY CASE SWITCHBOARD WILL NOT RPT NOT BE LOCATED NEAR SECRETARY'S BEDROOM.
B. S/S OFFICE AND STAFF OFFICE WILL BE LOCATED IN USINT BUILDING AS REQUESTED.

5. PRESS REQUIREMENTS. ALL FACILITIES OUTLINED IN REFTEL (A) WERE BROUGHT UP WITH FONOFF. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS WAS PUT ON PRESS REQUIREMENTS AND BOTH POST AND FONOFF WILL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO COMPLY WITH REQUESTS.

6. MSG COVERAGE ARRANGED.

7. GROUND TRANSPORTATION: NEEDS OUTLINED IN REFTEL (A), PARA 5 (A) WILL BE MET BY HOST GOVERNMENT. POST PUT PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON FACT THAT THESE VEHICLES WERE TO BE PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED TO DESIGNATED PEOPLE OR OFFICE. FONOFF UNDERSTOOD AND WILL COMPLY. ENGLISH SPEAKING DRIVERS REQUESTED.

8. COMMUNICATIONS: FONOFF ASSURED POST THAT ANY TELEPHONE CALL FROM SECRETARY OR SECRETARY'S OFFICE WILL BE GIVEN HIGHEST PRIORITY. IF PTT AND POST CAN ARRANGE USE OF POST SWITCHBOARD MANY OF THE PROBLEMS OF LAST VISIT WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF.

9. FUNDING: SEPTTEL NOT YET RECEIVED.
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